

OBSERVATIONS

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HUNDREDS of experts have given long study to the police situation in American cities. All have reached the conclusion that the only method of taking politics out of police affairs is to take politics out of politics. This can be accomplished only when the police of each state become a unit, governed by a central head, with the chief in each city a captain acting under direct orders from the state executive and completely divorced from local influences.

BRIG. GEN. BUTLER tried for two years to cut the ropes of politics that bound the Philadelphia police department, and failed. He says it cannot be done. His remedy is the one that is so frequently suggested, and never carried out. He recommends the substitution of local departments by state police, with the police branch of each commonwealth acting as a centralized, cohesive unit.

THE institution of state police would insure complete co-operation between cities; would bring a cohesive and strong organization of law enforcement throughout a whole state; would eliminate the nastiness of petty local politics; would guarantee a local police executive a permanent job as long as he obeyed orders and did his duty; would go a long way toward the solution of the crime problem that flourishes all over the country; and would make the police a semi-military organization and inaugurate a discipline that is now next to impossible, especially in the smaller cities.

OF COURSE such a statewide organization would be affected in some measure by state politics. But state politics is not quite as personal as local politics. It is not so much affected by local disputes. It is a bigger game and played therefore by men who are less affected by popular prejudice.

THIS continuous hubbub that centers around a municipal police department is one of the most disgusting aspects of small town politics. Every city goes every year or two through the throes of a bitter dispute over police affairs. One man is substituted for another, but in a few months the fracas reopens anew. It is endless, like a circle, and always comes back to the point at which it starts out. It is never settled, and never will be, until police affairs are taken away from local authorities and placed under state control.

I'VE watched this police business too long, and in too many cities to become excited over it. If I thought that the turmoil over police affairs would end if this man or that were given the job of chief, I might find myself stirred to some enthusiasm on one side or another. But I know perfectly well that the battle is continuous and that he who is so greatly desired today in a surprisingly short time becomes him who is so greatly undesirable tomorrow.

MAKE a change? Sure, if you want to. It will be just a swap. Make no change? Sure, if you want to. The fight will go on anyway. Put A in as chief? Sure, if you want to. It won't make any difference in the long run. Put B in as chief? Sure, if you want to. The game will proceed on the old basis anyway.

I'M interested in politics. I want to see any city decently governed with fairness to all and with vision. But I refuse to get excited over a police department scrap. To insist that this cop or that cop be demoted or promoted is to lose self-respect and make a sort of ward-heeler out of one's self. So you will pardon me if I refuse to share in any of the fevered excitement over police department politics.

NOT long ago I did get so excited, but something snapped inside my head. I took myself by the collar and led myself home to a book that told stringently of historic political struggles of bygone centuries, great battles, the rise and fall of empires—and I said to myself: "Look here, old top, you better pass out of the picture. When it comes to local police politics you can't accomplish anything, either for your town, your country, or yourself. And in the light of the rise and fall of Rome, the Crusades, the battle of Tours, the invention of printing, the Reformation, the great migration to the North American continent, the signing of Magna Charta, the War of Independence, the Emancipation proclamation, and the winning of the west, it doesn't make a hoo of a lot of difference just who runs this here police department you've been wasting so much thought over. Step out of the picture, old top." I stepped.

Few Candidates Seek Valuable Contest Prizes

Herald and News Awards Cause Plenty of Talk, Though

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The proposition is BIG enough to demand the attention of the BIGGEST MAN OR WOMAN in the territory served by The Herald and News. If someone came to you today and put up a proposition in which you stand to make up to \$1379.00 on the side in the next two months, you would give it serious consideration. Yet, what are you really doing—hunting around for reasons to excuse yourself from making nearly as much in the next few weeks as you probably do in a year, and more than most people actually save in years and years.

Can You Use \$1379? If you have a car, if one of the big handsome cars does not appeal to you, the cash they represent ought to appeal. With \$1379 in cash you can do much. You have a start on the home you've wanted for so long. You have a start in business. You have funds to carry on in your present undertakings.

Maybe you have been scared out. Maybe old Dame Rumor has been whispering to you. There will be talk and talk. You can hear anything you want to hear. You can get scared if you want to. If you have been considering entering this election you owe it to yourself to investigate.

Come to the office of The Herald and News. Have this wonderful opportunity explained to you. Don't make a snap decision and then when it is all over say "Oh, if I had but known that is all it would take, I could have done that."

Get the Scissors. Clip the NOMINATION-BLANK elsewhere in this issue. That gives you 5000 Votes. Then come to the office of The Herald and News at Torrance and learn all about it. If you prefer, and will advise The Herald, a representative will call on you and explain fully. If you are already in, "carry on." Do something for yourself. You have it in you. You can prosper. YOU CAN WIN. Don't be a quitter. Don't be a coward. Don't be bluffed out. Remember, there is someone who would like to see you quit. There is someone who knows you have it in you to win. Campaign headquarters located in the office of The Torrance Herald and News, Torrance, Herald Building, Torrance. Phone 200. Open evenings until 7:30.

Pan-Gas Outfit To Meet Oilers

When the Chanator-Canfield Midway Oil outfit hooks up with the Pan-Gas nine at the C.-C. M. O. park next Sunday at 2:30 a red-hot tilt is expected. The Pan-Gas crew is rated as a speedy group of pastimers and they are assured of plenty of opposition when Speed Martin takes the mound for the Santa Fe aggregation.

The C.-C. M. O. boys won plenty of praise a week ago last Sunday when they trounced the P. E. nine in the ninth. The Oilers went to bat with the score 3 to 2 against them. They scored two runs and took the old ball game by a score of 4 to 3.

Legion Auxiliary Meets on Tuesday

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet next Tuesday evening, May 4, at the home of Mrs. P. G. Briney, 142 Post avenue. Members are asked to bring their poppies to the meeting.

Lutherans Here Elect Officers Of New Church

Perfect Permanent Organization for the Torrance District

Lutherans of this vicinity met at the Episcopal Parish Hall on Tuesday evening, April 27, for the purpose of organizing a Lutheran congregation in Torrance.

The organization was effected by adopting a constitution.

The name adopted for the organization is First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Torrance, which congregation at the next synodical district meeting, to be held in Pomona May 11-14, will be received as a member of the Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States.

Officers were elected and will be duly installed into their offices during the service this coming Sunday morning at the Torrance Theatre. They are: Chairman, Rev. W. Lange; elders, C. Dobrick Sr. and T. C. Farnen; deacons, H. Chandler and E. A. Carlson; trustees, Will Dobrick, Mr. Johnson and L. C. Miller; recording secretary, Will Dobrick; financial secretary, Chris Dobrick; treasurer, L. C. Miller.

After the election of officers the congregation passed a resolution to secure a legal charter. The three trustees, together with the pastor, will in the near future draw up articles of incorporation and file them with the secretary of state. Twenty-seven have thus far signed the charter membership application blank. The time for reception of further charter members has been extended indefinitely.

After the business meetings a palatable lunch was served by the Ladies' Aid Society. Regular services are held at the Torrance Theatre every Sunday morning. All interested in these services are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. B. M. Cassman of 2024 Arlington left Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. Ray Sanders, at Mission, Tex. Mrs. Cassman was joined by another daughter at Houston and they are making the trip together.

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'Street Sweepers' Will Stage Ball On Friday Night

The social event of the week will be the "Street Sweepers" ball to be held Friday evening at the Women's Clubhouse.

The purpose of this event, according to the young promoters, is to replenish the baseball fund, which is sorely depleted. The boys feel that lack of proper equipment may mean the loss of the championship.

The affair will be held under the auspices of the Rotary Club. Jack Reeves' Jazz Rogues will furnish the music.

Loosen up with two bits and help the lads out.

Mr. and Mrs. Weir Atwood of Border avenue were dinner guests Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Jack McKinney of Lomita.

Beg Your Pardon

"Who ever thought of crowning the Queen of May on Blue Monday?" said St Rappaport, as he noticed that the Torrance Toggery advertisement in this issue was headed "Monday Is Straw Hat Day," instead of "May Day Is Straw Hat Day." Just a little oversight on the part of our proof-reader.

We told St that we were very sorry, but the page with his ad on had already been printed and the best we could do was to correct it with a little story. So here 'tis, St.

The Torrance Toggery has an extra fine array of new straw hats this season, and the whole lot goes on sale Saturday, May 1, the official Straw Hat Day of the Pacific Coast.

Rexall One-Cent Sale Is Now on at Dolley Drug

The Dolley Drug Company today announces another Rexall one-cent sale with the usual attractive list of bargains for which these events are noted. The sale will continue through Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

LEAVES FOR EAST Mrs. Alice Foley, who has been visiting her son, Tom Foley, and Mrs. Foley, of Redondo boulevard, for five months, left for her home in Grand Rapids, Mich., Monday. She is returning by way of San Francisco.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Waterman and son were entertained at dinner Saturday at the home of Mr. Waterman's sister, Mrs. H. H. Pignet, of Los Angeles.

Advertisement for Nash 4-Door Sedan. Features a large illustration of the car and text: 'NASH Leads The World in Motor Car Value. THE SPECIAL SIX 4-DOOR SEDAN \$1535 Delivered Here. Full force-feed lubrication, air cleaner, gasoline filter, oil purifier, twin flywheel—plus 4-wheel brakes, full balloon tires and 5 disc wheels included at no extra cost.'

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Advertisement for Paxman's Fishing Tackle. Features an illustration of a fisherman and text: 'FISHING SEASON OPENS LAKE GEVEY BIG FISHING Already the fish are spawning... Paxman's New Stock of Fishing Tackle Is Now Ready for Your Choosing Here in this big new line of Fishing Tackle, you will find baits and equipment that will outwit the wisest old fish that ever wiggled a fin. PAXMAN'S HARDWARE Torrance Two Stores Lomita'

Advertisement for Sam Levy Straw Hats. Features an illustration of a man in a straw hat and text: 'The Smarter Kind! STRAW HATS Every wanted weave; every desired trimming and every sought-for style—they're all here in our initial Straw Hat showing of the new season. We're presenting values at \$2.50 to \$4.95. Men's Silk Plaited Hose All colors Our Regular 50c Seller Special 25c Pair. SAM LEVY New and Greater Store Sartori Ave. Torrance'

Advertisement for Harbor District Fur Farm. Text: 'CHINCHILLA RABBITS Lone Pine Brand (L. P.) FROM ENGLISH IMPORTED STOCK WATCH THIS SPACE EACH WEEK April 28, 1926 Q. What points are required for a standard Chinchilla rabbit? A. (Continued from last week.) DISQUALIFICATIONS and points to look out for and avoid when buying Chinchilla rabbits: White patches on body, odd colored eyes, barred feet, dewlap, large ears, drooping or lopped ears, white patches on feet or head, putty nose, and white toenails. A rabbit with any disease is naturally disqualified. In buying Chinchilla rabbits, one should pay rigid attention to the above mentioned requirements and more rigid attention to the disqualifications. In so doing, a great deal of expense and trouble will be avoided and the result will be a money-making herd of Chinchilla rabbits. A POOR RABBIT EATS AS MUCH OR MORE THAN A GOOD RABBIT. Harbor District Fur Farm Cor. Weston Ave. and Pennsylvania St. Three blocks west of Bank of Lomita LOMITA, CALIFORNIA. PHONE LOMITA 226 Dr. Clayton C. Campbell & Son Proprietors'

Advertisement for Southern Pacific Lines. Text: 'Back East Excursions Effective May 22 REDUCED roundtrip tickets sold daily until Sept. 15; good until Oct. 31. Stopovers. Also Pacific Coast Excursions Low roundtrip fares April 30 and daily thereafter. Long limits stopovers. Make Reservations Now for Any Date Choice of four commanding trans-continental routes to the east. Go one way, return another if you wish. Send or call today for complete information about service and fares to your eastern destination. Ask about "Circle Tour of the United States"—greatest summer travel bargain. Southern Pacific Lines C. H. Mueller, Agent Torrance Phone 20'